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Newsletter 20 Friday 12th February 2021

## Congratulations to our House Stars and Form Groups of the Week





## **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Mrs East-Erskine who has been appointed as our new Head of Maths.

Well done to Ashley, who has received an unconditional offer from the University of Gloucestershire to study Accounting and Finance.

Well done Maseera, who has received conditional offers from University of Wolverhampton & Newman University studying Social Care, Sheffield University studying Early Childhood Studies and Coventry University studying Childhood, Youth and Education Studies.

Well done Viktoria who has received conditional offers from Nottingham Trent University , Staffordshire University and Coventry University to study Criminology and Criminal Law.

Today is the final day for 6th Form applications.

Internal Application Form
External Application Form



To celebrate Poetry Week, please click on the following links to hear our daily poem readings.

<u>Little Red Riding Hood</u> from Revolting Rhymes, Roald Dahl







Sailing to Byzantium by W B Yeats

The Love Poem by Carol Ann Duffy





The Listeners by Walter de la Mare

I Wanna Be Yours by John Cooper Clarke



Virtual Book Club Friday Lunchtimes at 1.15pm

## **Lateral Flow Testing**

Our Lateral Flow Testing is going well in school and we are preparing to offer all pupils a test on their return to school. Please read the NHS Test and Trace: COVID-19 testing for Staff and Students <u>information sheet</u> and complete the <u>consent form</u> to give permission for your child to have a test.



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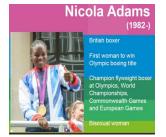


This month is LGBTQ+ History month, where we can look at the history of the LGBTQ+ community and celebrate the amazing people within the community who have made positive differences to our world. In order to celebrate this, we have focussed this week's wellbeing on those who identify differently and how we can improve our empathy by supporting those within the community.

LGBTQ+ refers to a large community of people. Those within the community may be lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender questioning, non binary, asexual, aromantic, pansexual and a whole lot of other wonderful things. It can be confusing for others to understand. It is important we accept people for who they are and how they express themselves, even if we might not understand how they feel.

Those who fall into minority groups are more at risk of developing mental health issues. One of these groups are those individuals who identify themselves as LGBTQ+.

In PE this month students will celebrate the Sporting successes of proud members of the LGBT community, such as Nicola Adams.



In English lessons this month we will be celebrating the success of poets such as Jackie Kay.



The national theme this year for LGBT+ History Month is "Body, Mind and Spirit", it is important to look after all aspects of your health, so if you need someone to talk with please visit <a href="www.stonewall.org.uk">www.stonewall.org.uk</a> to access help and advice. Stonewall UK is a charity aimed at empowering LGBT+ people to be their authentic selves, while enabling LGBT+ people and allies to create positive change.



### **School Links Officers Visit**

On Wednesday we welcomed PCSO's Brittle & Collis into school to deliver sessions on the importance of staying safe, and the dangers that young and vulnerable people face with regard to County Lines drug dealing.

This has become more evident during the Covid-19 pandemic, where school closures have meant that children may now be at greater risk.

Please click <u>here</u> for further information for Parents and Carers.

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## God's love is always there, throughout our light and dark moments.



God the Father

says: "here I am.

I am here for you" Isaiah 58:9

Jesus the Son says: "I am with you always even unto the end of the world." Matthew 28:20

The promise of the Spirit is: "the Spirit dwells with you, and shall be in you." John 14:17

Whatever your fear, anxiety, burden, pain, suffering, God loves you so much that He wants to be with you at your side and those you love, to bring you through to greener pastures. He is not a magician, he is better than that, and putting our trust in Him can change the situation beyond human expectations.

"God, How priceless your faithful love is! People take refuge in the shadow of your wings." Psalm 36:7

Feel free to pass on this message to someone you know, who needs to hear that they are loved. If you would like to talk about any of this, email:

## Lent in a Bag

On Thursday Mrs Kudlacik along with some KS3 students put together some Lent Reflection packs to take out to elderly people in residential homes.



## Creative Zone News.....

Over the last few weeks there has been many workshops delivered to students across Wolverhampton, many thanks to Mrs McAllister from Music, Mr Shoukat from Drama, and Miss Bull from Art for all their hard work in leading on this.

Mrs McAllister's session this week involved students learning the 'cup song' from pitch perfect and Mr Shoukat delivering a workshop on facial expressions and gestures. As well as this, Miss Ball in Art is also now filming pre-corded Art primary tasks to send to students to complete at home.

The feedback we have received from all schools involved has been extremely positive, indicating that all students have been highly engaged and excited by these workshops. These activities are helping The King's CE School further strengthen our strong links across Wolverhampton.

Congratulation to everyone who has received BTEC Sport results this week - we are delighted with the grades that have been achieved.

An excellent reward for all your hard work!

Miss Pugh Head of Creative Faculty.





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## From the Chaplain....

We have read, this week, the story of Joseph finally being reconciled with his brothers and we have heard from our friends at All Nations Church about the all too real challenges of forgiving those who have caused us pain. But they also talked to us about the sense of freedom we feel when we can finally let go of the burden of resentment and bitterness we have been carrying and find a way to forgive those who have wronged us; a sentiment that was beautifully summed up in a quote shared by a colleague this morning:

On Wednesday we will enter the Christian season of Lent: a time for reflection, a time for recognising where we have strayed from God's ways and returning to him and a time for re-focussing our lives by seeking God's will above our own. The Bible readings associated with lent are from the beginning and the end of Jesus' ministry. First we remember that after his baptism and hearing God's voice proclaiming him God's beloved son, Jesus went out on his own to the wilderness to fast and to consider what that meant and what form his ministry would take. Though tempted to use his powers and his status for his own benefit, Jesus realised that to be true to himself (in other words to God) he would need to be humble, to make sacrifices and at times to suffer greatly. As lent progresses, we read more about the suffering of Jesus as we re-tell the stories



of his last days before being falsely accused, arrested and put to death on a cross. Though he was God, Jesus was also human: he suffered as a human and felt pain as a human. In this way, we can be sure that our God is not remote and distant, but that he really does know what we go through when we are struggling.

It is traditional for Christians to make a sacrifice in lent, perhaps to give up something important to them in order to make more space for God in their lives. We have all given up so much this year already, and although some may be as busy as ever, others may feel the time they currently have available for self-reflection is quite overwhelming! At the King's CE School we invite you to join with us in our weekly Eco-challenges which will help us to focus on playing our part in looking after the beautiful planet that God has given us. Through our Eco actions and our weekly reflections we pray that we will be able to walk with God and with one another trusting in his promise of hope, new life and abundant joy.

## The Theme for Worship

### W.C 22nd February 2021

Luke 3:21-22

Luke 4: 1-15

Jesus' baptism and temptation







At The King's CE School we believe that everyone is unique and created in God's image. We enable all to achieve their God-given potential; to grow, learn and aspire; to transform their lives and the lives of others and to journey in faith without limits within a unified, respectful and harmonious community.

Wishing you all a peaceful and relaxing Half Term.

We look forward to welcoming you back to virtual learning on Monday 22nd February 2021.

Stay Safe Everyone!

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